

Dear Millie

Many thanks. Your letter rec<sup>d</sup>.  
I am not wise  
in regard to horse ball and  
do not understand all the  
terms, but suppose it is  
as good as anything else  
to enable boys to let off  
steam without getting into  
mischief. We sent up this  
week a programme of the  
amusements at the Pic Nic  
of the first Cong. Cch. They  
consisted of, hopping races  
viz. races with feet tied  
together in which we won  
a goat ball as a prize;  
three legged races in which  
two boys had a leg of each  
tied together in which we  
won something as a prize,  
and egg races in which  
they have an egg laid in a  
spoon and hold the spoon  
by the handle and run, when  
the egg rolls out they are  
out. etc, etc.

I shall send you tomorrow  
another Chenillean. I have  
made but the two. I had just  
custom enough for that in  
the house and I did not want  
to get another piece just now  
You can charge with these

and if you need an extra  
you can use one of the  
old ones. I don't feel at all  
pleased that you have not  
finished up your new suit  
and had it <sup>to</sup> wear when  
you go down to Oakland  
to be there over the Sabbath.  
I don't like you to be shabby,  
and especially when there  
is no necessity for it. I shall  
send you some time next  
week that new suit that  
I have made, but I don't  
get on very fast with  
sewing. Have had too much  
company. Will send these  
patterns for the girls soon.  
I will send a piece like  
your new dress to Cousin Love  
and get her to send you  
ribbon. When Cousin John  
was up here ~~he~~ was speaking  
of that Greek testament and  
spoke in such a way that I said  
to him, Have miss it do ye not?  
He said he did, and added  
that he supposed you had  
it with you. I honestly  
answered that you had.  
I have since found that you  
had not. Now I propose to send  
it down to you next week, and  
I want you to take it down to  
him; and I don't want you  
to tell him that you have another  
for he would not enjoy the idea